Registration

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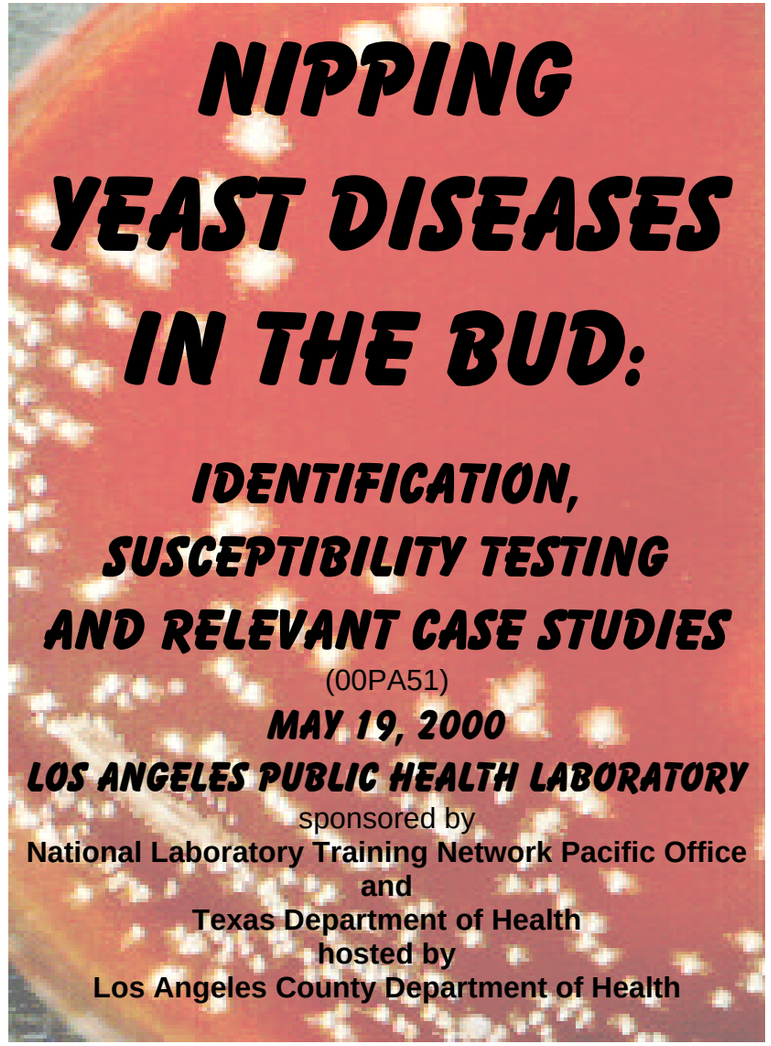

NIPPING YEAST DISEASES IN THE BUD:

IDENTIFICATION, SUSCEPTIBILITY TESTING AND RELEVANT CASE STUDIES

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Program Description

This program is an unique one day educational program which will take place before the Annual Meetings of the Medical Mycological Society of the Americas and the American Society for Microbiology. This is the 11th year that a specialized medical mycology program has been offered by the Texas Department of Health and the National Laboratory Training Network. The program brings together world recognized authorities in medical mycology who will discuss traditional, rapid and automated identification schemes and technologies for yeast and yeast-like fungi. The critical topic of antifungal susceptibility testing will also be reviewed. This will include methodology and recommendations for selection of procedures, clinical indications and significance, and test performance. Finally, case presentations of significant importance will be discussed.

Course Objectives

At the conclusion of the workshop, participants will be able to:

1. Discuss the pros and cons of rapid versus traditional methods of yeast identification.

2. Describe appropriate test procedures for determining antifungal susceptibility of yeast isolates.

3. Extrapolate and apply data from case studies to the care of patients with yeast infections.

Who Should Attend

This program will be of particular interest to persons who work in areas of clinical microbiology, medical mycology, yeast taxonomy, infectious disease and public health.

Program

May 19, 2000 Los Angeles, California

8:00 am	Registration	
8:30 am	Overview	Dr. Harris
8:45 am	Rapid and Traditional Methods for the Identification of Yeast and Yeast-Like Fungi	Mr. Pincus
10:15 am	Break	
10:45 am	Rapid and Traditional Methods for the Identification of Yeast and Yeast-Like Fungi, Continued	Mr. Pincus
11:45 am	Lunch	
12:45 pm	Antifungal Susceptibility Testing	Ms. Fothergill
2:15 pm	Break	
2:45 pm	Case Studies	Dr. Rinaldi
4:15 pm	Evaluation and Post Test	Dr. Harris
4:30 pm	Adjournment	

PROGRAM LOCATION

Los Angeles County Health Services
Administration Building
Lobby Auditorium
313 N Figueroa St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Parking is available adjacent to the laboratory at $6.00/day.

Faculty

Annette Fothergill, M.A., M.B.A., MT(ASCP), CLS(NCA), Technical Supervisor, Fungus Testing Laboratory, Department of Pathology, University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio, TX.

David Pincus, M.S., Senior Technical Manager, Identification Development, bioMerieux-Vitek, Hazelwood, MO.

Michael Rinaldi, Ph.D., Professor of Pathology, Medicine, Microbiology and Clinical Laboratory Sciences and Director, Fungus Testing Laboratory, University of Texas Health Science Center; Chief, Clinical Microbiology Laboratory, Audie Murphy Memorial Veteran's Hospital, San Antonio, TX.

Facilitators

Shoolah Escott, M.S., MT(ASCP), Regional Coordinator, National Laboratory Training Network - Northeast Office, Boston, MA.

James Harris, Ph.D., State Training Coordinator, Bureau of Laboratories, Texas Department of Health, Austin, TX

Continuing Education Units

Continuing education credits will be offered for laboratorians based on 6.0 hours of instruction. The NLTN-Pacific Office is an approved provider of continuing education for **California medical laboratory licensees** (accreditation #000022). This program qualifies for 6 contact hours of continuing education for California Clinical Laboratory licensees.